

other children's activity may be treated very roughly. He may be punched and knocked about and scolded loudly, especially by the younger children in the school. The older ones will be more forbearing. If the new-comer is very tearful or obstinate he may be taunted, laughed at or scolded, and even pushed away from joining some small group. Even if the new child is just quiet and retiring he may be teased by scoffing remarks from the others and left out of group play."

BRIDGES, p. 64. " Although popularity is a behaviour manifestation of others rather than of the child under consideration, in the nursery school it may be taken as a good indication of the social nature of the popular or unpopular child. If a child has been scolded and shunned or even chased by the group, it is almost as sure a sign of the social undesirability of his behaviour as any of his own behaviour manifestations.

Children scold one another for what annoys them personally, or for what they know to be wrong. They avoid children who are in disgrace or who annoy them ; and they may even unite and ' set on ' to the bully or the rough torment.

" It is true that some children attack or just avoid the new child who has not misbehaved in any way. But if the group as a whole scolds the new child and refuses to play with him or have anything to do with him, then the new child has probably behaved in some disapproved way. He may have taken their toys, knocked down their building constructions, hit them, thrown sand at them, cried frequently, destroyed materials, or done other things of which either children or adults would disapprove. Thus if a child has been scolded by most of the other children, left out of group play or generally ignored, it may be taken that his behaviour has failed to meet the social standards of the group, and he should not gain a point on the above item."

b. To Adults

20.10.24. Robert and Frank were digging in

the garden,
and found some worms. Mrs. I. was digging
near them, and
Frank said to Robert, " Shall we put a worm
down her back,
so that it will bite her ? "
4.11.24. Dan said to the others, " Hit Mrs. I."
10.12.24. Frank having told Benjie to hit Cecil,
and Mrs. I.
having intervened, Frank whispered to Paul, "
Shall we not
speak to Mrs. I. ? " Paul replied, " No, we
won't, because we
don't like her, do we." This was said several
times by Benjie,
Paul and Frank.